

BOX: PATENT APPLICATION

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Prior Application: T. YAZAKI et al  
Serial No. 09/386,310  
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For: PACKET COMMUNICATION SYSTEM WITH QoS  
CONTROL FUNCTION

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUATION APPLICATION**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b)**

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Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

March 7, 2002

Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 09/386,310, filed on August 31, 1999, entitled PACKET COMMUNICATION SYSTEM WITH QoS CONTROL FUNCTION, by all of the inventors named in the prior application.

1. Enclosed is a copy of the prior application, including the Declaration as originally filed.

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION  
LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY ACCOMPANYING PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT  
PLUS ANY CLAIMS ADDED BY ACCOMPANYING PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Please associate this application with Customer No. 24956.

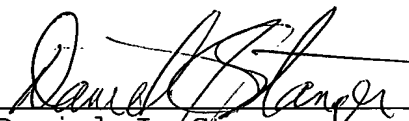
7. The prior application is assigned to Hitachi, Ltd..

8. Priority of the following Japanese patent application is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119:

No. 11-047,592, filed February 25, 1999.

The certified priority document has been filed in the prior application.

The undersigned hereby declares that no matter contained in the specification, including the claims, and drawings filed in the present continuation application would have been new matter in the prior application Serial No. 09/386,310, as originally filed on August 31, 1999.

  
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